Jack Martin

New Orleans, La.
DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

Report of Offenses Against Persons

Item No. K-12634-63 | District No. First
Zone Letter --- | Date of Report 11-25-63
Time Reported 8:45 P.M. | Date Reported 11-22-63
Affidavit No. ---

For Uniform Crime Reporting purposes only—When making IBM Card on an Attempt Murder, classify as Aggravated Assault

TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, Sir: I respectfully report the following:

MURDER	____	AGGRAVATED RAPE	____	AGGRAVATED BATTERY	xxx
MANSLAUGHTER	____	SIMPLE RAPE	____	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	____
NEG. HOMICIDE	____	CARNAL KNOWLEDGE	____	SIMPLE BATTERY	____
		ATTEMPT (Any of the above)	____	SIMPLE ASSAULT	____

1. Victim's Name Jack Martin Race W Sex M Age 47 Bus. Phone ____
2. Address 1311 N. Prieur St. City New Orleans, State La. Res. Phone ____
3. Time of Occurrence ____ AM 5:15 PM ____ Day of Week Friday Date 11-22-63
4. Place of Occurrence 531 Lafayette St. Guy Banister Assoc. Inc.
5. Weapons or Force Used Unknown make and model revolver.
6. Where were weapons found? not found.
7. Description of Vehicles Used none
8. Number of perpetrators engaged one Was victim sober? Had been drinking.
9. Criminal's Motive: Hate ____ Revenge ____ Domestic Trouble ____ Jealousy ____
   To Conceal Crime ____ Sudden Anger xxx Other ____
10. Provocation or Justification ____
11. Hospital or Coroner ____
12. If Homicide: Date of Autopsy ____ Findings: ____
13. Examining Physician Dr. D. Hoth, Charity Hospital
14. Findings Beaten on head with pistol, hemo negative.
15. Other Corroborative Evidence Bureau of Identification pictures taken.
16. Scene photographed by ____ Ident. Tech. Tech. C. Olsen
17. Chart sketched by ____
18. WITNESSES: (Give Name, Address, Color, Sex, Age, Employed by.) (Statement, Written or Verbal.)

Dephine Roberts, WF, residing 1441 N. Miro Street.

19. State here any reason for believing the complaint unfounded None.

20. Is the identity of the criminal known or suspected

21. Person arrested or wanted (Give Name, Address, Color, Sex, Age) (If wanted give Height, Weight, other descriptive data.)

Lieutenant Francis L. Martello respectfully reports at about 8:45 P.M. on Friday, November 22, 1963, of having received a radio signal No. 58. It was learned from Radio Operator Sergeant Anthony Polito that he had received a telephone call from Major P.J. Trosclair, Jr., that Jack Martin, W-47, residing 1311 N. Prieur Street, was pistol whipped by Guy Bannister.

In company with Patrolmen N. Knaps and Ronald Roth, assigned to Car No. 11, we proceeded to the above address and upon arrival it was learned from the victim that at about 5:00 P.M. he was in the Katz & Jammer Bar, located at 540 Camp Street and had a drink with Guy Bannister, WM, residing 7059 Argonne Street. After leaving the bar they went to Bannister's Office, located 531 Lafayette St. While in the office they became involved in various discussions about personal and political subjects. The discussion led to some long distance telephonecalls that were allegedly made by Jack Martin and Bannister accused Martin of making some unauthorized telephone calls and ran his telephone bill up. Jack Martin stated that he had worked for Guy Bannister as an Investigator from time totime and these phone calls he had made were supposed to have been made over a year ago. Jack Martin denied that he had made unauthorized long distance telephone calls on Bannister's telephone. The discussion became heated and Martin stated that Bannister told him, "Don't call me a liar." Martin replied that he was not calling him a liar. Bannister became enraged and drew a .357 S & W Magnum revolver from his holster and holding it by the butt struck Martin about his head five or six times with the gun barrell. When Martin began to bleed, Bannister stopped hitting him and told him to go to the restroom and wash up.

Martin went into the restroom and obtained a towel and placed it on his head. Martin further stated that Bannister told him to watch himself and to be careful. During the melee Martin stated that Delphine Roberts, WF, residing 1441 N. Miro Street, was present in the office. Martin then went to Charity Hospital and received treatment and went to his residence, where he called Major Presly J.Trosclair, Jr.

When asked if he wisked to perfrer charges, Martin stated that he did not as Bannister was like a father to him, that he couldnot put him in jail and they had been friends for a long time. He stated that Bannister should not be carrying a gun as he didn't think that he was authorized to carry one. Martin made this statement in the presence of Lt. Martello, Patrolman N. Knaps,

NOT CLEARED____ IDENTIFICATION XXX CLEARED BY ARREST____ OFFENDER KILLED____
CONFESSION____ SUICIDE____ OTHER____ UNFOUNDED____

Signature of investigating officers:

Signature of Desk Sergeant or person typing report

Approved:

Commanding Officer

R. Roth and Mrs. Jack Martin.

Jack Martin was transported to the Baptist Hospital in Patrol Car No. 11. At the Hospital he was photographed by Technician Claire Olsen. Upon examining Martin's head, he had three small lacerations on the forehead and one laceration on the rear of his head.

Jack Martin was again asked if he wished to press charges and he stated that he did not as Bannister was like a father to him and that he had worked for him and as far as he was concerned it was nothing to get irrated about, however he could not understand why Bannister hit him with the gun. Martin then stated, "No, I do not wish to press charges at this time." He was asked what did he mean by this andhe replied that he didn't want to hurt Bannister, but did not want to press charges at this time.

At about 4:00 P.M. on November 25, 1963, Lt. Martello in company with Patrolmen L. Knaps and R. Buras went to the office of Guy Bannister, located at 531 Lafayette Street. Guy Bannister was interviewed concerningthe complaint of Jack Martin and Mr. Bannister stated that he would not comment about this matter upon advise of his attorney.

Mrs.Dephine Robert was interviewed and she stated that she would not make any comment on the advise of Mr. Bannister's Attorn ey.

Due to the victim, Jack Martin not wishing to press any charges against Mr. Bannister he was not arrested, however the office of the Honorable District Attorney is to be consulted in this matter.

Bulletin sent.

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Respectfully,

Lieutenant Francis Martello

Approved:

Captain James H.Arnold
Commanding Officer,
First District Station.